



Attorney Docket No.: 1054

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

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- ☐ is attached hereto.
  - ☒ was filed on October 22, 2003 as patent application No. 10/689,848.
  - ☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification identified above, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of the patent application identified above in accordance with 37 CFR .1.56(a).

I claim foreign priority benefits pursuant to 35 U.S.C. .119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application from which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

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(Country) (Number) (Day/Month/Year Filed)

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

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(Country) (Number) (Day/Month/Year Filed)

I claim the benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. .119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

60/430,675 12/4/02  
Application Serial No. Filing Date

60/469,416 5/12/03  
Application Serial No. Filing Date

I claim the benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. .120 of any United States patent application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this patent application is not disclosed in the prior United States patent application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. .112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR .1.56(a) effective between the filing date of the prior patent application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this patent application:

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I appoint:

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my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute my application for Letters Patent identified above and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected with that patent application.

I direct that correspondence concerning this application be sent to Michael Tobias, #40, 1717 K Street N.W., Suite 613, Washington, D.C. 20036, telephone (301) 587-6541.

I declare that all statements made here based on my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent application identified above or any patent issuing from the patent application identified above.

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